

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph on page 1, lines 8-15 with the following new paragraph:

The present application is related by subject matter to commonly assigned, co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. ~~_____~~ 10/799,301 (Attorney Docket No. RSW920030263US1) entitled "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR MAINTAINING COMPATIBILITY WITHIN A DISTRIBUTED SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT ENVIRONMENT WITH A PLURALITY OF CONFIGURATION VERSIONS", filed on March 12, 2004, and hereby incorporated by reference.

Please replace the Abstract paragraph on page 21 of the application with the following new Abstract paragraph:

~~A method~~ Method, apparatus, and computer instructions ~~are disclosed~~ for generating XSLT documents from multiple versions of a UML model or XML schemas created from multiple versions of a UML model. ~~The innovative tool can take a newer~~ Newer and older ~~version~~ versions of a UML model, or ~~[[the]] XML schemas created from [[a]] newer and older version~~ versions of a UML model, ~~[[and]] are~~ run ~~these documents~~ through a difference tool that produces a report describing ~~[[the]]~~ changes made to the older version by the newer version. Then, an XSL template-match fragment ~~can be~~ is created for each "feature added" change made to the older version. Each ~~[[such]]~~ XSL template-match fragment ~~can be~~ is used to filter the corresponding configuration settings from an XML document in the newer schema's format. Also, for each "feature added" change made to the older version, an XSL template-match fragment ~~can be~~ is created and used to add the configuration setting(s) and a default value to an older document. ~~Consequently, a document having the older schema's format can be transformed into the new format (e.g., by adding new attribute values for the attributes that were added to the UML model).~~